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Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed. The concise explanation of relevance of the non-English language document is found in the attached U.S. counterpart, U.S. Patent No. 6,415,112.

REQUIRED FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Applicants enclose a check for the required fee of \$180 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(2).

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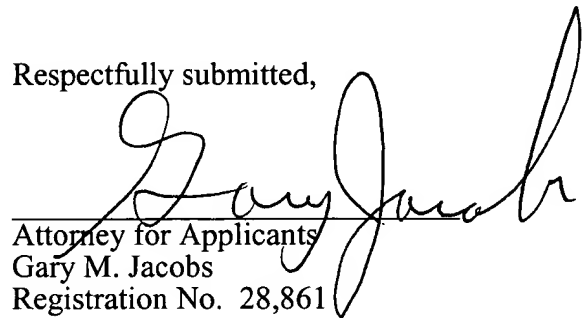
CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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